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cryptographic key, the reproducing reproduction of data eannot be performed is preempted. This is because the reference CRC-code disagrees with does not match that of the CRC-code.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 3 and ending on page 6, line 10 with the following amended paragraph:

In this apparatus, the CRC-code and the reference CRC-code are generated using the unique identification number in addition to data and the cryptographic key. Thus, the reproducing and falsification unauthorized retrieval and reproduction of data can be prevented even if the recording-medium cartridge and the corresponding cartridge memory are stolen. This, is because the unique identification code is required for generating the CRC-code and the reference CRC-code.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 3 and ending on page 10, line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

When performing a recording reproducing data stored in the magnetic tape MT, the reproducer 33 obtains data D1 and CRC-code C1 from the magnetic tape MT, and outputs data D1 to the CRC-code generator 31 and the external computer 4, respectively. The reproducer 33 simultaneously outputs the CRC-code C1 to the CRC-code comparator 35.